CLAIMS

- A neutron shielding material composition comprising a hydrogenated bisphenol resin, a curing agent component, a density-increasing agent and a boron compound.
 - 2. A neutron shielding material composition comprising a hydrogenated bisphenol epoxy represented by the following structural formula (1):

$$CH_2-CH-CH_2-0 \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} R_1 \\ C \\ R_2 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} 0 & CH_2-CH-CH_2 \\ R_4 \end{bmatrix} \longrightarrow \begin{bmatrix} CH_2-CH-CH_2 \\ C \\ R_4 \end{bmatrix}$$
 (1)

wherein each of R₁ to R₄ is independently selected from the group consisting of CH₃, H, F, Cl and Br, and n is from 0 to 2;

a curing agent component having at least one ring structure and a plurality of amino groups;

a density-increasing agent; and a boron compound.

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3. The neutron shielding material composition according to claim 1 or 2, further comprising one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of a compound represented by the structural formulas (2), (3), (6) and (9):

$$R_{5}-0 \longrightarrow H$$

$$Q$$

$$(2)$$

wherein R₅ is a C₁₋₁₀ alkyl group or H, and n is from 1 to 24;

$$0 \longrightarrow (CH_2)_{\overline{n}} 0 - C \longrightarrow 0$$
(3)

wherein n is from 1 to 8;

wherein each of R₉ to R₁₂ is independently selected from the group consisting of CH₃, H, F, Cl and Br, and n is from 0 to 2; and

$$0 \longrightarrow CH^{s} - 0 \longrightarrow CH \longrightarrow 0$$
 (9)

4. The neutron shielding material composition according to any of claims 1 to 3, comprising, as the curing agent component, a compound represented by the structural formula (4):

$$H_2N \longrightarrow CH_2 \longrightarrow NH_2$$
 (4)

15 5. The neutron shielding material composition according to any of claims 1 to 4, wherein the curing agent component comprises one or more of compounds represented by the structural formulas (5) and (8):

$$H_2N - CH_2 \qquad CH_2 - NH_2 \qquad (5)$$

and

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$$\begin{array}{ccc}
CH &=& CR_8 \\
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R_6 - N & N & \\
C & & \\
R_7
\end{array}$$
(8)

wherein R₆, R₇ and R₈ each is independently a C₁₋₁₈ alkyl group or H.

- 5 6. The neutron shielding material composition according to any of claims 1 to 5, further comprising a filler.
 - 7. The neutron shielding material composition according to any of claims 1 to 6, further comprising a refractory material.
 - 8. The neutron shielding material composition according to claim 7, wherein the refractory material comprises at least one of magnesium hydroxide and aluminum hydroxide.
- 9. The neutron shielding material composition according to any of claims 1 to 8, wherein the density-increasing agent is a metal powder having a density of 5.0 to 22.5 g/cm³, a metal oxide powder having a density of 5.0 to 22.5 g/cm³, or a combination thereof.
- 20 10. A neutron shielding material obtainable from the neutron shielding material composition according to any of claims 1 to 9.

11. A neutron shielding container obtainable from the neutron shielding material composition according to claim 10.